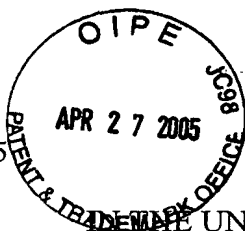


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In response to the December 28, 2004 Office Action, please amend the above-identified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 2 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the Listing of Claims, which begins on page 3 of this paper. Claims 1-15 are pending, with claims 1, 8, and 12 being the only independent claims.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.